

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of	Eiji TAKAGI, et al.	Docket No.	Q78802
Appln. No.	10/727,992	Group Art Unit	2841
Confirmation No.	7235	Examiner	Tuan T. Dinh
Filed	December 5, 2003		
For:	PRINTED WIRING BOARD AND PRINTED WIRING BOARD MANUFACTURING METHOD		

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following remarks in response to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement, dated March 20, 2006.

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REMARKS

Applicant elects Group I, claims 1 to 3 and Species II, Figures 3A-3B for examination. This election is made with traverse.

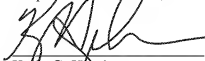
The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to two distinct species. Figure 2, however, shows merely an enlarged view of figure 3 and is directed to a same embodiment. Thus, the Election of Species Requirement is not proper. All of the claims in the group correspond to both species. Applicant thus respectfully requests the Examiner to examine all these claims.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims are found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 4-7.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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